

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b). State-wise egg production of the years 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1989-90 is given in the attached Statement. The National target for the egg production for 1991-92 is 22.8 billion eggs. National/State-wise data relating to production and targets in respect of chickens (broiler) are not compiled.

(c) to (e). Information is still awaited from the States and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

LPG Bottling Plants

2348. SHRI D.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of LPG bottling Plants in the country till todate; and

(b) the number of LPG bottling plants in Tamil Nadu and their capacity of filling cylinders?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR):
 (a) 77 as on 1.4.1991.

(b) There are 5 Bottling Plants in Tamil Nadu, with an average filling capacity of 30700 cylinders per day.

Demand of Petroleum Products

2349. SHRI MUKUL WASNIK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise projection figures regarding the annual demand of petroleum products during the Eighth Plan;

(b) the details regarding the annual indigenous oil production during the Eight Plan at the existing rate of extraction and possible addition;

(c) whether the Government have any clear-cut policy for lessing out areas for oil exploration; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR):
 (a) Yearwise projected demand of petroleum products during Eighth Plan are as under:-

(Fig. in TMT)

<i>Year</i>	<i>Demand</i>
1992-93	60711
1993-94	63870
1994-95	68716
1995-96	74110
1996-97	79368

(b) The Eighth Five Year Plan is still to be finalised.

(c) and (d). 39 Offshore and 33 Onshore blocks have been offered for exploration to foreign and private Indian companies under the Fourth Round of bidding.

Production of Oilseeds

2350. DR. ASIM BALA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of oilseeds have declined over the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being initiated by the Government to enhance the production of oilseeds and their sustainability?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). No, Sir. The production of oilseeds during last three years was as under:-

<i>Year</i>	<i>Production (lakh tonnes)</i>
1988-89	180.3
1989-90	167.5
1990-91	191.0 (preliminary estimates).

(c) To increase oilseeds production in a given time frame, a mission approach has been adopted through the Technology Mission on Oilseeds and Pulses. Programme have been taken up to tackle the problem from all angles i.e. development of production and processing technology, input support service is provided to the farmers through the implementation of Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP), which provides financial support on production and distribution of seeds, rhizobial culture, plant protection chemicals and equipments improved farm implements, sprinkler sets and gypsum and pyrites distribution.

[Translation]

LPG to Uttar Pradesh

2351. SHRI K.V. THANGKA BALU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of LPG being

supplied in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government propose to increase the allotment of LPG to Uttar Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR):

(a) The packed domestic and non-domestic (commercial & industrial) LPG supplied to the consumers in Uttar Pradesh during 1990-91 was around 234.6 TMT. Besides about 12.5 TMT LPG was supplied to bulk-consumers in Uttar Pradesh during 1990-91.

(b) to (d). The LPG demand of any particular State in the country is estimated on the basis of demand of existing customers in that State and the new customers likely to be enrolled in a particular year which depends on the estimated availability of LPG during the year.

Constitution of Joint Irrigation Board

2352. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to constitute a Joint Irrigation Board to augment irrigation facilities and to sort out problems arising between Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have held talks with the Government of Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh for this purpose; and